

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as shown in the complete claim set for this application. This listing of claims will replace all prior claims in the application:

1-5. (Cancelled)

6. (Currently Amended) **A method for operating a telematics unit within a mobile vehicle communication system, the method comprising:**

assigning a primary telematics unit identifier to a user account;

assigning the primary telematics unit identifier to a mobile handset;

associating the mobile handset with any one of a plurality of telematics units

operating within the mobile vehicle communication system; and

operating the associated telematics unit;

The method of claim 1, wherein the step of associating the mobile handset with any one of a plurality of telematics units operating within the mobile vehicle communication system comprises:

coupling the mobile handset to the telematics unit;

determining if the telematics unit coupled to the mobile handset is a primary telematics unit, the primary telematics unit including the primary telematics unit identifier;

determining if the telematics unit coupled to the mobile handset is a secondary telematics unit, the secondary telematics unit not including the primary telematics unit identifier; and

routing calls to the determined telematics unit.

7. (Original) The method of claim 6, wherein the step of routing calls to the determined telematics unit comprises:

sending the call to the secondary telematics unit when the mobile handset is coupled to the secondary telematics unit;

determining if the call is answered at the secondary telematics unit; and

forwarding the call to the primary telematics unit when the call is not answered.

8. **(Original)** The method of claim 7, further comprising:
determining if the call is answered at the primary telematics unit; and
forwarding the call to voice mail when the call is not answered.

9-15. **(Cancelled)**

16. **(Currently Amended)** A computer readable medium for operating a telematics unit within a mobile vehicle, comprising:

computer readable code for assigning a primary telematics unit identifier to a user account;

computer readable code for assigning the primary telematics unit identifier to a mobile handset;

computer readable code for associating the mobile handset with any one of a plurality of telematics units operating within the mobile vehicle communication system; and

computer readable code for operating the associated telematics unit

~~The computer readable medium of claim 11,~~ wherein the computer readable code for associating the mobile handset with any one of a plurality of telematics units operating within the mobile vehicle communication system comprises:

computer readable code for determining that the mobile handset is coupled to the telematics unit;

computer readable code for determining if the telematics unit coupled to the mobile handset is a primary telematics unit, the primary telematics unit including the primary telematics unit identifier;

computer readable code for determining if the telematics unit coupled to the mobile handset is a secondary telematics unit, the secondary telematics unit not including the primary telematics unit identifier; and

computer readable code for routing calls to the determined telematics unit.

17. **(Original)** The computer readable medium of claim 16, wherein the computer readable code for routing calls to the determined telematics unit comprises:

computer readable code for sending the call to the secondary telematics unit when the mobile handset is coupled to the secondary telematics unit;

computer readable code for determining if the call is answered at the secondary telematics unit; and

computer readable code for forwarding the call to the primary telematics unit when the call is not answered.

18. **(Original)** The computer readable medium of claim 17, further comprising:

computer readable code for determining if the call is answered at the primary telematics unit; and

computer readable code for forwarding the call to voice mail when the call is not answered.

19-22. **(Cancelled)**

23. **(New)** A method for operating a telematics unit on a vehicle and within a mobile vehicle communication system, the method comprising:

associating a primary telematics unit identifier with a user account;

associating the primary telematics unit identifier with a mobile handset;

associating the mobile handset with a selected telematics unit operating within the mobile vehicle communication system;

determining if the selected telematics unit is a primary telematics unit or a secondary telematics unit, wherein the primary telematics unit includes the primary telematics unit identifier and the secondary telematics unit does not include the primary telematics unit identifier; and

operating the selected telematics unit.

24. **(New)** The method of claim 23, wherein the step of operating the selected telematics unit comprises routing calls to the selected telematics unit.

25. **(New)** The method of claim 24, wherein routing calls to the selected telematics unit further comprises establishing voice communication if the call is answered.

26. **(New)** The method of claim 24, wherein routing calls to the selected telematics unit comprises:

- sending a call to the mobile handset;
- determining if the call is answered at the mobile handset; and
- forwarding the call to the selected telematics unit if the call is not answered at the mobile handset.

27. **(New)** The method of claim 26, wherein routing calls to the selected telematics unit further comprises:

- determining if the call is answered at the selected telematics unit; and
- forwarding the call to an answering system if the call is not answered at the selected telematics unit.

28. **(New)** The method of claim 24, wherein routing calls to the selected telematics unit comprises:

- sending a call to the secondary telematics unit when the mobile handset is associated with the secondary telematics unit;
- determining if the call is answered at the secondary telematics unit; and
- forwarding the call to the primary telematics unit if the call is not answered at the secondary telematics unit.

29. **(New)** The method of claim 23, further comprising the step of communicating the telematics unit identifier to a service provider.

30. **(New)** The method of claim 23, further comprising the step of downloading user preferences from a service provider using the selected telematics unit.

31. **(New)** The method of claim 30, wherein the user preferences are based on the user account associated with the primary telematics unit identifier.

32. **(New)** The method of claim 30, wherein the user preferences are based on a mobile vehicle type.

33. **(New)** The method of claim 23, wherein the primary telematics unit identifier is a mobile identification number.

34. **(New)** A method for operating a telematics unit on a vehicle and within a mobile vehicle communication system, the method comprising:

- associating a telematics unit identifier with a user account;
- associating the telematics unit identifier with a mobile handset;
- associating the mobile handset with a selected telematics unit operating within the mobile vehicle communication system;
- routing calls to the mobile handset;
- determining if the call is answered at the mobile handset; and
- forwarding the call to the selected telematics unit if the call is not answered at the mobile handset.

35. **(New)** The method of claim 34, wherein the step of routing calls to the selected telematics unit further comprises establishing voice communication if the call is answered.

36. **(New)** The method of claim 36, wherein the step of routing calls to the selected telematics unit further comprises:

- determining if the call is answered at the selected telematics unit; and

forwarding the call to an answering system if the call is not answered at the selected telematics unit.

37. **(New)** The method of claim 34, further comprising the step of downloading user preferences from a service provider to the selected telematics unit.

38. **(New)** The method of claim 37, wherein the user preferences are based on the user account associated with the telematics unit identifier.

39. **(New)** The method of claim 34, further comprising the step of communicating the assigned telematics unit identifier of the mobile handset to a service provider.

40. **(New)** A method for operating a telematics unit on a vehicle and within a mobile vehicle communication system, the method comprising:

- associating a telematics unit identifier with a user account;
- associating the telematics unit identifier with a mobile handset;
- associating the mobile handset with a telematics unit operating within the mobile vehicle communication system;
- sending an incoming call for the telematics unit identifier to the mobile handset;
- forwarding the call to the selected telematics unit if the call is not answered at the mobile handset; and
- forwarding the call to an answering system if the call is not answered at the selected telematics unit.